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FALKIRK COUNCIL

Minute of meeting of the Civic Licensing Committee held remotely on Wednesday 12 May 2021 at 10.00 a.m.

Councillors: David Aitchison

David Balfour Lorna Binnie Jim Blackwood

Provost William Buchanan

Jim Flynn

Gordon Hughes (Convener)

John Patrick

Depute Provost Ann Ritchie

Officers: Karen Chambers, Committee Services Officer

Bryan Douglas, Licensing Co-ordinator

Rose Mary Hoey, Interim Legal Services Manager

Frances Kobiela, Senior Solicitor

CL7. Apologies

Apologies were received from Councillor Goldie.

CL8. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

CL9. Minute

The minute of Meeting of the Civic Licensing Committee held on 7 April 2021 was approved.

CL10. List of Applications Granted Under Delegated Powers during March 2021

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer detailing the applications granted under delegated powers during March 2021 in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982.

Decision

The committee noted the report.

CL11. Exclusion of Public

RESOLVED in terms of section 50A(4) of the Local Government (Scotland) Act 1973, to exclude from the meeting the press and public for the following items of business on the grounds that they would involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in Paragraph 6 of Part 1 of Schedule 7A to the said Act.

CL12. Application for the Grant of a New Late Hours Catering Licence

The applicant Mr J joined the meeting. The applicant's agent Mrs R joined the meeting. The applicant's operations manager Mrs S joined the meeting

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for the grant of a New Late Hours Catering Licence.

Mrs R and Mr J spoke in support of the application.

Questions were then asked by members of the committee.

The committee agreed to a short adjournment. On reconvening all members were present as per the sederunt.

Decision

The committee granted the New Late Hours Catering Licence.

CL13. Application for the Grant of a New Private Hire Car Driver Licence

The applicant Mr A joined the meeting.

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for the grant of a New Private Hire Car Driver Licence.

Mr A spoke in support of the application.

Questions were then asked by members of the committee.

The committee agreed to a short adjournment. On reconvening all members were present as per the sederunt.

Decision

The committee granted the new Private Hire Car Driver Licence with an undertaking that the applicant would provide documentation that he had not been convicted of any offence in Pakistan during the period 1993 – 2002, once the covid situation allows.

CL14. Application for the Grant of a New Private Hire Car Driver Licence

The committee considered a report by the Chief Governance Officer providing information on an application for the grant of a New Private Hire Car Driver Licence.

The committee agreed to accept the Police Representation late.

Sergeant Livingston, Police Scotland, spoke in relation to the Letter of Representation from Police Scotland.

Questions were then asked by members of the committee.

The committee agreed to a short adjournment. On reconvening all members were present as per the sederunt.

Decision

The committee:-

(a) refused to grant the Private Hire Car Driver Licence in terms of the Civic Government (Scotland) Act 1982, Schedule 1 paragraph 5(3)(a)(ii) on the ground that the applicant is not a fit and proper person to be the holder of such a licence.